GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2665
ANSWERED ON:01.12.2016
Reservation of Lignite Blocks
Chavda Shri Vinod

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to refer to the reply given to USQ No. 4339 dated 11.08.2016 on "Reservation of Lignite Blocks" and to state:
(a) whether No Objection Certificate was issued by the Director General of Hydrocarbons for reservation of lignite block in Lakhpat-Punrajpur area in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): No madam. Director General of Hydrocarbons (DGH) has informed that it is not the nodal agency for granting NOC for lignite mining near adjoining Coal Bed Methane(CBM) block area and Government of Gujarat and GMDC is required to approach Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoPNG) for grant of such NOC.

(c) Accordingly Government of Gujarat and GMDC was requested to approach MoPNG as per the advice of DGH for grant of NOC. This Ministry has also requested MoPNG to consider the issue of granting NOC to Government of Gujarat and GMDC.
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